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**VIA FACSIMILE**Hon. James Larson  
Chief Magistrate Judge  
United States District Court  
Northern District of California  
450 Golden Gate Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94012Re: *Skaff v. Larkspur Real Estate Partnership, et. al.*; Case No. C 05-1170  
MDJ (JL)

Dear Judge Larson:

I write to request to continue the settlement conference currently scheduled for September 9, 2005. The parties, Defendants Larkspur Real Estate Partnership I & II, Defendant Barnes & Noble, and Plaintiff Richard Skaff (collectively "the parties") collectively request this continuance to give them more time to meet and confer regarding issues of injunctive relief, per the Court's Order, so that they may resolve as many issues as possible prior to the settlement conference. Counsel for the Larkspur Defendants, Lindbergh Porter was on vacation for much of the month of August and counsel for Plaintiff Sidney Cohen has a vacation planned for the last week of August through Labor Day. As a result, the parties need additional time to complete the meet and confer process.

~~The parties are available for a settlement conference on October 7, 2005 if the Court is available that date.~~ I thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

SO ORDERED

JAMES LARSON  
U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE

MDW

Very truly yours

  
Mary D. Walsh